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SUBJ: VOA RELAY STATION

REF: (A) GABORONE 0445, (B) GABORONE 0841, (C) USIA 8909

1. AT JULY 4 EVENT MINEXTAFF PERMSEC MPOTOKWANE TOOK INITIATIVE TO ASK ME ABOUT STATUS OF PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF VOA RELAY STATION AT SELEBI-PIKWE. I REPLIED THAT OUR LATEST INFORMATION WAS THAT PROPOSAL IS STILL BEING PURSUED AND THAT SUBJECT IS AT STAGE OF BUDGET/CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION. MPOTOKWANE SAID HE WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION ON PROSPECTS SINCE GOB FEELS GROWING NEED TO EXPAND MEDIA COVERAGE TO ENHANCE NATIONAL UNITY, PARTICULARLY IN SENSITIVE BORDER AREA.

2. COMMENT: MPOTOKWANE IS KNOWN AS LOW-KEY AND NOT PARTICULARLY ENTERPRISING. WE CAN DEDUCE WITHOUT HESITATION THAT HIS INQUIRY REFLECTS GOVERNMENT CONCERN AND DESIRE TO MOVE FORWARD PROMPTLY. IN THIS CONNECTION, BELIEVE OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS HAVE MADE KNOWN THEIR WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST GOB WITH RELAY FACILITY. ACTION REQUESTED: PROMPT REPLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED AS TO STATUS AND PROSPECTS FOR RELAY STATION INCLUDING ESTIMATE OF WHEN FINAL DECISION CAN BE EXPECTED.

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